



Northern Natural Gas Company

**Financial Statements (Unaudited) as of and for the
Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2021**

Northern Natural Gas Company
Balance Sheets (Unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands, except share data)

| | As of | |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | March 31, 2021 | December 31, 2020 |
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 42,645 | \$ 11,763 |
| Accounts receivable, net | 101,902 | 114,019 |
| Accounts receivable from affiliates | 9,688 | 10,089 |
| Notes receivable from BHE | 505,000 | 185,000 |
| Transportation and exchange gas receivables | 25,491 | 6,781 |
| Inventories | 50,156 | 48,854 |
| Income tax receivable | — | 1,211 |
| Other current assets | 25,589 | 43,431 |
| Total current assets | <u>760,471</u> | <u>421,148</u> |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 4,346,282 | 4,348,171 |
| Regulatory assets | 84,535 | 87,840 |
| Other assets | 64,308 | 63,685 |
| Total assets | <u><u>\$ 5,255,596</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 4,920,844</u></u> |
| LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 30,019 | \$ 39,930 |
| Accounts payable to affiliates | 949 | 1,582 |
| Accrued interest | 10,277 | 19,877 |
| Accrued property, income and other taxes | 161,848 | 63,530 |
| Transportation and exchange gas payables | 19,966 | 9,600 |
| Current portion of long-term debt | 199,967 | 199,917 |
| Other current liabilities | 118,981 | 82,402 |
| Total current liabilities | <u>542,007</u> | <u>416,838</u> |
| Long-term debt | 1,047,548 | 1,047,530 |
| Regulatory liabilities | 412,530 | 429,513 |
| Deferred income taxes | 603,149 | 607,669 |
| Asset retirement obligations | 15,810 | 15,711 |
| Other long-term liabilities | 43,010 | 48,161 |
| Total liabilities | <u>2,664,054</u> | <u>2,565,422</u> |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 5) | | |
| Shareholder's equity: | | |
| Series A preferred stock - 1,000 shares authorized, \$0.01 par value, no shares issued and outstanding | — | — |
| Common stock - 10,000 shares authorized, \$1.00 par value, 1,002 shares issued and outstanding | 1 | 1 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 981,868 | 981,868 |
| Retained earnings | 1,609,673 | 1,369,102 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income, net | — | 4,451 |
| Total shareholder's equity | <u>2,591,542</u> | <u>2,355,422</u> |
| Total liabilities and shareholder's equity | <u><u>\$ 5,255,596</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 4,920,844</u></u> |

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Northern Natural Gas Company
Statements of Income (Unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands)

| | Three-Month Periods Ended March 31, | |
|---|--|-------------------|
| | 2021 | 2020 |
| Operating revenue: | | |
| Transportation | \$ 349,988 | \$ 316,894 |
| Storage | 14,629 | 14,511 |
| Gas, liquids and other sales | 104,086 | 4,326 |
| Total operating revenue | <u>468,703</u> | <u>335,731</u> |
| Operating expenses: | | |
| Operations and maintenance | 62,781 | 55,185 |
| Cost of gas and liquids sales | 19,589 | 3,696 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 40,433 | 57,219 |
| Taxes, other than income taxes | 21,250 | 17,318 |
| Total operating expenses | <u>144,053</u> | <u>133,418</u> |
| Operating income | <u>324,650</u> | <u>202,313</u> |
| Other income (expense): | | |
| Interest expense, net | (13,599) | (14,028) |
| Interest income | 516 | 1,665 |
| Other, net | 3,539 | (1,195) |
| Total other income (expense) | <u>(9,544)</u> | <u>(13,558)</u> |
| Income before income tax expense | 315,106 | 188,755 |
| Income tax expense | 74,535 | 46,168 |
| Net income | <u>\$ 240,571</u> | <u>\$ 142,587</u> |

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Northern Natural Gas Company
Statements of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands)

| | Three-Month Periods Ended March 31, | |
|--|--|-------------------|
| | 2021 | 2020 |
| Net income | \$ 240,571 | \$ 142,587 |
| Other comprehensive income, net of tax- | | |
| Unrealized (losses) gains on cash flow hedges, net of tax of (\$1,618) and \$1,714 | (4,451) | 4,716 |
| Comprehensive income | <u>\$ 236,120</u> | <u>\$ 147,303</u> |

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Northern Natural Gas Company
Statements of Changes in Shareholder's Equity (Unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands)

| | <u>Common Stock</u> | <u>Additional Paid-In Capital</u> | <u>Retained Earnings</u> | <u>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income, net</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|---------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| Balance, December 31, 2019 | \$ 1 | \$ 981,868 | \$ 1,068,149 | \$ 2,276 | \$ 2,052,294 |
| Net income | — | — | 142,587 | — | 142,587 |
| Other comprehensive income - cash flow hedges | — | — | — | 4,716 | 4,716 |
| Balance, March 31, 2020 | <u>\$ 1</u> | <u>\$ 981,868</u> | <u>\$ 1,210,736</u> | <u>\$ 6,992</u> | <u>\$ 2,199,597</u> |
| Balance, December 31, 2020 | \$ 1 | \$ 981,868 | \$ 1,369,102 | \$ 4,451 | \$ 2,355,422 |
| Net income | — | — | 240,571 | — | 240,571 |
| Other comprehensive loss - cash flow hedges | — | — | — | (4,451) | (4,451) |
| Balance, March 31, 2021 | <u>\$ 1</u> | <u>\$ 981,868</u> | <u>\$ 1,609,673</u> | <u>\$ —</u> | <u>\$ 2,591,542</u> |

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Northern Natural Gas Company
Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands)

| | Three-Month Periods Ended March 31, | |
|--|--|-------------------------|
| | 2021 | 2020 |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Net income | \$ 240,571 | \$ 142,587 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 40,433 | 57,219 |
| Amortization of debt issuance costs | 100 | 108 |
| Deferred income taxes | (16,099) | (26,698) |
| Other, net | (164) | 4,060 |
| Changes in other operating assets and liabilities: | | |
| Accounts receivable and other assets | (1,147) | (28,394) |
| Inventories | (1,302) | (927) |
| Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities | (500) | 53,811 |
| Gas balancing activities | 16,985 | 215 |
| Accrued property, income and other taxes | 99,528 | 87,363 |
| Net cash flows from operating activities | <u>378,405</u> | <u>289,344</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Capital expenditures | (50,989) | (121,648) |
| Contributions in aid of construction | 23,435 | 4,659 |
| Purchases of marketable securities | (2,924) | (10,821) |
| Proceeds from sales of marketable securities | 1,413 | 9,008 |
| Net cash flows from investing activities | <u>(29,065)</u> | <u>(118,802)</u> |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| Issuance of promissory notes by BHE | (335,000) | (180,000) |
| Proceeds from redemption of promissory notes from BHE | 15,000 | — |
| Net cash flows from financing activities | <u>(320,000)</u> | <u>(180,000)</u> |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash and cash equivalents | 29,340 | (9,458) |
| Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 24,081 | 54,405 |
| Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash and cash equivalents at end of period | <u>\$ 53,421</u> | <u>\$ 44,947</u> |

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Northern Natural Gas Company
Notes to Financial Statements
(Unaudited)

(1) General

Northern Natural Gas Company (the "Company") is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company ("BHE"), a holding company that owns locally managed businesses principally engaged in the energy industry. BHE is a consolidated subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. ("Berkshire Hathaway"). The Company owns the largest interstate natural gas pipeline system in the United States, as measured by pipeline miles, which reaches from west Texas to Michigan's Upper Peninsula (the "System"). The Company primarily transports and stores natural gas for utilities, municipalities, gas marketing companies and industrial and commercial users. The System consists of two commercial segments. Its traditional end-use and distribution market area in the northern part of its system, referred to as the Market Area, includes points in Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Michigan and Illinois. Its natural gas supply and delivery service area in the southern part of its system, referred to as the Field Area, includes points in Kansas, Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. The Market Area and Field Area are separated at a Demarcation Point. The System consists of 14,500 miles of natural gas pipelines, including 6,000 miles of mainline transmission pipelines and 8,500 miles of branch and lateral pipelines, with a Market Area design capacity of 6.3 billion cubic feet ("Bcf") per day, a Field Area delivery capacity of 1.7 Bcf per day to the Market Area and 1.4 Bcf per day to the West Texas area and over 79 Bcf of firm service and operational storage cycle capacity in five storage facilities. The System is configured with approximately 2,240 active receipt and delivery points which are integrated with the facilities of local distribution companies ("LDC"). Many of the Company's LDC customers are part of combined utilities that also use natural gas as a fuel source for electric generation. The Company delivered over 1.3 trillion cubic feet of natural gas to its customers in 2020.

The Company has no subsidiaries and does not hold a controlling financial interest in any other entity. The unaudited Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") for interim financial information. Accordingly, they do not include all of the disclosures required by GAAP for annual financial statements. Management believes the unaudited Financial Statements contain all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary for the fair presentation of the unaudited Financial Statements as of March 31, 2021 and for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2020. The results of operations for the three-month period ended March 31, 2021 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. The Company has evaluated subsequent events through May 28, 2021, which is the date the unaudited Financial Statements were available to be issued.

The preparation of the unaudited Financial Statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the unaudited Financial Statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Actual results may differ from the estimates used in preparing the unaudited Financial Statements. Note 2 of Notes to Financial Statements included in the Company's audited Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2020 describes the most significant accounting policies used in the preparation of the unaudited Financial Statements. There have been no significant changes in the Company's assumptions regarding significant accounting estimates and policies during the three-month period ended March 31, 2021.

(2) Cash and Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents consist of funds invested in money market mutual funds and other investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased. Cash and cash equivalents exclude amounts where availability is restricted by legal requirements or other contractual provisions. Restricted cash and cash equivalents as of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, consist substantially of escrow funds held to provide the Company with protection against customer credit risk. A reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash and cash equivalents as of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, as presented in the Statements of Cash Flows is outlined below and disaggregated by the line items in which they appear on the Balance Sheets (in thousands):

| | As of | |
|--|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| | March 31, 2021 | December 31, 2020 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 42,645 | \$ 11,763 |
| Restricted cash and cash equivalents in other current assets | 2,096 | 2,096 |
| Restricted cash and cash equivalents in other assets | 8,680 | 10,222 |
| Total cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash and cash equivalents | <u>\$ 53,421</u> | <u>\$ 24,081</u> |

(3) Employee Benefit Plans

The Company is a participant in benefit plans sponsored by MidAmerican Energy Company ("MEC"), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of BHE. The MidAmerican Energy Company Retirement Plan provides pension benefits for eligible employees ("pension plan") and the MidAmerican Energy Company Welfare Benefit Plan provides certain postretirement health care and life insurance benefits for eligible retirees ("other postretirement plan") on behalf of the Company. The Company's contributions to the pension plan and other postretirement plan totaled \$0.2 million for each of the three-month periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2020. As of March 31, 2021, the Company recorded in other long-term liabilities its portion of the under funded status of the pension plan and in other assets its portion of the over funded status of the other postretirement plan of \$15.3 million and \$35.1 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2020, the Company recorded in other long-term liabilities its portion of the under funded status of the pension plan and in other assets its portion of the over funded status of the other postretirement plan of \$15.3 million and \$34.9 million, respectively. Amounts attributable to the Company were allocated from MEC to the Company in accordance with the intercompany administrative service agreement. Offsetting regulatory assets and liabilities have been recorded related to the amounts not yet recognized as a component of net periodic benefit costs that will be included in regulated rates.

(4) Fair Value Measurements

The carrying value of the Company's cash, certain cash equivalents, receivables, payables and accrued liabilities approximates fair value because of the short-term maturity of these instruments. The Company has various financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on the Financial Statements using inputs from the three levels of the fair value hierarchy. A financial asset or liability classification within the hierarchy is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The three levels are as follows:

- Level 1 - Inputs are unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 - Inputs include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means (market corroborated inputs).
- Level 3 - Unobservable inputs reflect the Company's judgments about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability since limited market data exists. The Company develops these inputs based on the best information available, including its own data.

The following table presents the Company's assets and liabilities recognized on the Balance Sheets and measured at fair value on a recurring basis (in thousands):

| | Input Levels for Fair Value Measurements | | | | |
|--|--|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Other ⁽¹⁾ | Total |
| <u>As of March 31, 2021</u> | | | | | |
| Assets: | | | | | |
| Commodity derivatives | \$ — | \$ 1,123 | \$ — | \$ (702) | \$ 421 |
| Money market mutual funds ⁽²⁾ | 56,550 | — | — | — | 56,550 |
| Investment funds | 19,971 | — | — | — | 19,971 |
| | <u>\$ 76,521</u> | <u>\$ 1,123</u> | <u>\$ —</u> | <u>\$ (702)</u> | <u>\$ 76,942</u> |
| Liabilities - commodity derivatives | <u>\$ —</u> | <u>\$ (2,596)</u> | <u>\$ —</u> | <u>\$ 702</u> | <u>\$ (1,894)</u> |
| <u>As of December 31, 2020</u> | | | | | |
| Assets: | | | | | |
| Commodity derivatives | \$ — | \$ 16,654 | \$ — | \$ (3,040) | \$ 13,614 |
| Money market mutual funds ⁽²⁾ | 45,715 | — | — | — | 45,715 |
| Investment funds | 14,376 | — | — | — | 14,376 |
| | <u>\$ 60,091</u> | <u>\$ 16,654</u> | <u>\$ —</u> | <u>\$ (3,040)</u> | <u>\$ 73,705</u> |
| Liabilities - commodity derivatives | <u>\$ —</u> | <u>\$ (3,124)</u> | <u>\$ —</u> | <u>\$ 3,040</u> | <u>\$ (84)</u> |

(1) Represents netting under master netting arrangements.

(2) Amounts are included in cash and cash equivalents, other current assets and other assets on the Balance Sheets. The fair value of these money market mutual funds approximates cost.

Derivative contracts are recorded on the Balance Sheets as either assets or liabilities and are stated at estimated fair value unless they are designated as normal purchases or normal sales and qualify for the exception afforded by GAAP. When available, the fair value of derivative contracts is estimated using unadjusted quoted prices for identical contracts in the market in which the Company transacts. When quoted prices for identical contracts are not available, the Company uses forward price curves. Forward price curves represent the Company's estimates of the prices at which a buyer or seller could contract today for delivery or settlement at future dates. The Company bases its forward price curves upon market price quotations, when available, or internally developed and commercial models, with internal and external fundamental data inputs. Market price quotations are obtained from independent energy brokers, exchanges, direct communication with market participants and actual transactions executed by the Company. Market price quotations for certain major natural gas trading hubs are generally readily obtainable for the applicable term of the Company's outstanding derivative contracts; therefore, the Company's forward price curves for those locations and periods reflect observable market quotes. The estimated fair value of these derivative contracts is a function of underlying forward commodity prices, related volatility, counterparty creditworthiness and duration of contracts.

The Company's investments in money market mutual funds and investment funds are stated at fair value. A readily observable quoted market price or net asset value of an identical security in an active market is used to record the fair value.

(5) Commitments and Contingencies

Legal Matters

The Company is party to a variety of legal actions arising out of the normal course of business. Plaintiffs occasionally seek punitive or exemplary damages. The Company does not believe that such normal and routine litigation will have a material impact on its financial results.

Regulatory Matters

In July 2018, FERC issued a final rule adopting procedures for determining whether natural gas pipelines were collecting unjust and unreasonable rates in light of the reduction in the federal corporate tax rate from 2017 Tax Reform. Pursuant to the final rule, in October 2018, the Company filed an informational filing on FERC Form No. 501-G and a Statement Demonstrating Why No Rate Adjustment is Necessary. In January 2019, FERC initiated a Section 5 investigation to determine whether the rates currently charged by the Company are just and reasonable. As required by the FERC Section 5 order, the Company filed a cost and revenue study in April 2019. In July 2019, the Company filed a Section 4 rate case requesting increases in its transportation and storage rates. In January 2020, the FERC approved the Company's filing to implement its interim rates subject to refund, effective January 1, 2020. In June 2020, a settlement agreement was filed with the FERC, resolving the Section 5 investigation and Section 4 rate case and providing for increased service rates and depreciation rates. The settlement rates were implemented May 1, 2020, and the Company's provision for rate refunds for January 2020 through March 2020 totaled \$64.6 million. The FERC approved the settlement in September 2020, and rate refunds to customers were processed in early October 2020.

(6) Revenue from Contracts with Customers

The following table summarizes the Company's revenue from contracts with customers ("Customer Revenue") and revenue not considered Customer Revenue ("Other Revenue") (in thousands):

| | Three-Month Periods Ended March 31, | |
|------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| | 2021 | 2020 |
| Customer Revenue: | | |
| Transportation service | \$ 365,044 | \$ 316,623 |
| Storage service | 13,463 | 13,919 |
| Gas, liquids and other sales | 98,804 | 4,284 |
| Total Customer Revenue | 477,311 | 334,826 |
| Other Revenue ⁽¹⁾ | (8,608) | 905 |
| Total | <u>\$ 468,703</u> | <u>\$ 335,731</u> |

- (1) Other Revenue consists of revenue recognized in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification 815, "Derivative and Hedging" and includes net payments to counterparties for the financial settlement of certain derivative contracts.

Remaining Performance Obligations

The following table summarizes the Company's revenue it expects to recognize in future periods related to significant unsatisfied performance obligations for fixed contracts with expected durations in excess of one year as of March 31, 2021 (in thousands):

| | |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Less than 12 months | \$ 779,282 |
| More than 12 months | 3,708,501 |
| Total | <u>\$ 4,487,783</u> |

(7) Other Related Party Transactions

The Company provided gas transportation, storage and other services to MEC totaling \$25.7 million and \$30.8 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. MEC provides certain administrative and management services, including executive, financial, legal, human resources, payroll and tax, to the Company. Expenses incurred by MEC and billed to the Company are based on the individual services and expense items provided and were \$1.8 million and \$2.0 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. MEC also provided electricity and other services to the Company of \$0.2 million for each of the three-month periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2020. The Company reimbursed MEC \$19.5 million and \$17.8 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, for payroll, healthcare benefits and other benefit payments that MEC processed on behalf of the Company.

BHE provides certain administrative and management services, including executive, financial, legal and tax, to the Company. Expenses incurred by BHE and billed to the Company are based on the individual services and expense items provided and were \$0.4 million and \$0.6 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Income tax transactions with BHE resulted in net payments of \$0.3 million and net receipts of \$8.6 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

As of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the Company had net accounts payable to BHE and certain subsidiaries for intercompany transactions totaling \$0.9 million and \$1.6 million, respectively. The Company also had accounts receivable from affiliates of \$9.7 million and \$10.1 million as of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, respectively.

The Company provides certain administrative and management services, including executive, financial, regulatory, legal, information technology, human resources and procurement, to Kern River Gas Transmission Company ("Kern River"), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of BHE. The Company billed Kern River \$0.3 million and \$0.4 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, for these services.

The Company possesses demand promissory notes from BHE. The balance of the demand promissory notes as of March 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 was \$505.0 million and \$185.0 million, respectively. The notes contain variable interest rates based on 30-day LIBOR plus a fixed spread per annum. Interest income of \$0.4 million and \$1.5 million was recorded for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

(8) Subsequent Events

In April and May 2021, BHE issued promissory notes to the Company totaling \$560.0 million and redeemed promissory notes from the Company totaling \$185.0 million.

In April 2021, the Company issued \$550.0 million of its 3.40% Senior Bonds due October 2051. The Company used the net proceeds to early redeem in April 2021 all of its \$200.0 million, 4.25% Senior Notes originally due June 2021 and for general corporate purposes.